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: A Method To Repair Localized Amplitude Defects In A EUV Lithography Mask Blank

**AMENDMENT** 

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 18, 2002, please amend the above-referenced application as follows: